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1. IN ACCORDANCE INSTRUCTION IN PARA 5 OF REFTEL, WE HAVE APPROACHED INTERNATIONAL STAFF AND TURKS CONCERNING PARAGRAPH 14 OF NATO SUMMIT DRAFT COMMUNIQUE. TURKISH DEPUTY PERM REP BALKAR, WHO APPRECIATED OUR INTEREST, LISTENED CAREFULLY TO POINTS SET FORTH IN PARA 5 OF REFTEL. ON BEHALF OF INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS), CHAIRMAN JUNG OF SENIOR POLITICAL COMMITTEE (SPC) AGREED TO BE OF HELP WITH REDRAFT OF PARA 14 SHOULD GREEKS AND TURKS INVITE THE ASSISTANCE OF IS.

2. BALKAR SUGGESTED THAT ANOTHER WAY OUT OF THE DILEMMA COULD BE TO UTILIZE THE FORMULA CONTAINED IN PARA 10 OF . THE JUNE 1968 NATO MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE: " FRANCE DID NOT ASSOCIATE HERSELF WITH THE DECISIONS REFERRED TO IN PARA 9 ABOVE". BALKAR SAID THAT GREECE MIGHT AVAIL ITSELF OF THIS OPTION WERE IT TO BE UNABLE TO AGREE TO A COMMUNIQUE PARAGRAPH RELATED TO THE EMBARGO. WE REPLIED THAT A  
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FAR MORE FELICITOUS SOLUTION UNDER CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD BE A TEXT MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH GREECE AND TURKEY. WE SUGGESTED THAT AS STARTING POINTS FOR NEW DRAFT THERE WERE THE ITALIAN TEXT JUST READ OUT AT THE SPC MEETING (USNATO 05218): "IN THIS REGARD THE ALLIANCE REAFFIRMED THE IMPORTANCE IT ATTACHES TO THE STRENGTHENING OF COHESION AND SOLIDARITY IN THE SOUTH-EASTERN FLANK AND TO

RESUMPTION OF FULL COOPERATION AMONG ITS MEMBERS ON THE PROCUREMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT; AND THE GREEK SUBMISSION FOR PARA 14 OF THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE: "THE ALLIANCE HAS A DEEP INTEREST IN STRENGTHENING THE SOLIDARITY BETWEEN ITS MEMBER COUNTRIES IN PARTICULAR ON ITS SOUTH-EASTERN FLANK. FOR THIS REASON IT EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE SOLUTION OF ALL THE PROBLEMS STANDING IN THE WAY OF SUCH A STRENGTHENING WILL SOON PROVE POSSIBLE. "

3. BALKAR SAID HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO ACCEPT THE ITALIAN PROPOSAL DURING THE SPC DISCUSSION, BUT HE CONSIDERED IT A BETTER BASIS FOR COMPROMISE THAN THE GREEK TEXT AS THE LATTER STOOD. HE NOTED THAT GREEK DEPUTY PERM REP ZAFIRIOU HAD TURNED DOWN THE ITALIAN PROPOSAL DURING THE SPC MEETING BECAUSE THE PROPOSAL REFERRED TOO SPECIFICALLY TO PROCUREMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT.

4. BALKAR THEN EMPHASIZED THAT HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH ON MAY 25 WITH MEMBERS OF PRESIDENT ECEVIT'S PARTY NOW IN BRUSSELS. HE WOULD SOUND THEM OUT ON THE POSSIBILITIES FOR A COMPROMISE TEXT. HE POINTED OUT TOO THAT HIS PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ZAFIRIOU WAS A GOOD ONE. WE REEMPHASIZED OUR ENCOURAGEMENT THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO FIND A TEXT SATISFACTORY TO BOTH PARTIES. GLITMAN

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